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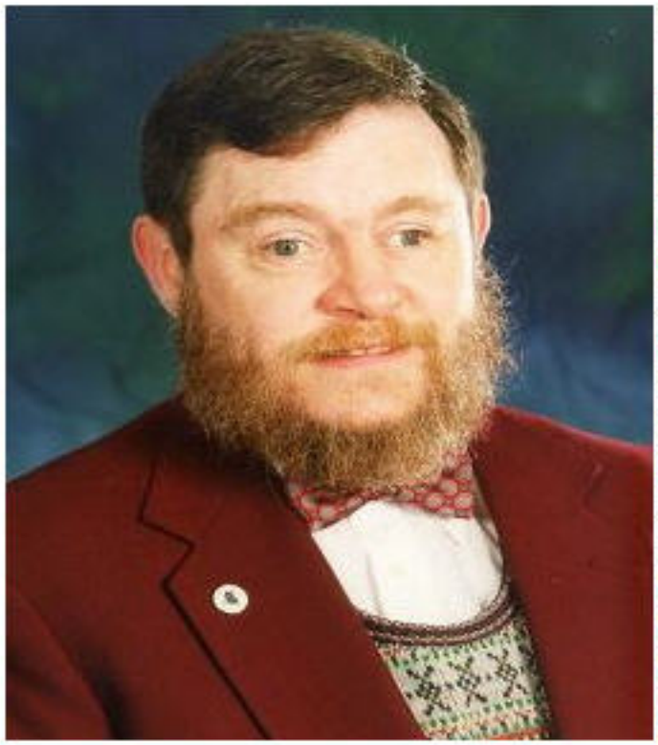

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Dr. Keating died Sunday, October 14, 2007 in Kansas City, MO. He was 57 years of age. Born October 8, 1950 and raised in the Hudson River Valley, Dr. Keating took his training in clinical psychology and clinical research methods at the State University of New York at Albany, where the Ph.D. was awarded in 1981. His post-doctoral clinical residency was completed at a physical medicine and rehabilitation specialty hospital in Schenectady. Dr. Keating maintained a collaborative private practice with a urologist during 1984-86, and specialized in the conservative care of lower urinary tract dysfunctions. He practiced as a clinical psychologist in California for 16 years. Since 1981 he has worked as a clinical researcher, faculty member, administrator and historian at several institutions, including the University of the Pacific (Department of Psychology, Behavioral Medicine Program), Palmer College of Chiropractic-West (Professor), Northwestern College of Chiropractic (where he served as Director of Research) and Western States Chiropractic College. He was Professor at Los Angeles College of Chiropractic (1994-2000), where he taught "Clinical Research Methods," "History of Chiropractic" and "Philosophy & Reasoning." Since 1988 he has been a member of the board of directors of the National Institute of Chiropractic Research (NICR), a non-profit corporation whose mission involves fund-raising, grant-making and the conduct of research in chiropractic. He also serves on the editorial board of several peer-reviewed, scholarly periodicals, including Clinical Chiropractic, the Chiropractic Journal of Australia, Journal of the Canadian Chiropractic Association and the Journal of Manipulative & Physiological Therapeutics. Dr. Keating is a former president (1994-95) of the Association for the History of Chiropractic (AHC) and served on the board of directors. He has authored several hundred professional papers and several books, including: A History of Los Angeles College of Chiropractic; a biography, B.J. of Davenport: the Early Years of Chiropractic, published by the AHC; A History of Chiropractic Education in North America (also published by AHC) and a 1992 volume concerning clinical research for practitioners, Toward a Philosophy of the Science of Chiropractic: a Primer for Clinicians. His most recent book, co-authored with Drs. Louis Sportelli and Lawrence Siordia, is: We Take Care of Our Own: NCMIC & the Story of Malpractice Insurance in Chiropractic. Dr. Keating was Homewood Professor of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College during 1999-2002. He recently moved to Kansas City, MO from Phoenix, AZ and was employed by the Cleveland Chiropractic College as the Historian of the Profession.

Dr. Keating was the son of Joseph C. Keating, Sr. and Mary A. Welsh Keating, both deceased. He is predeceased by his brother Michael C. Keating who died January 2, 2007. He leaves his loving sisters, Diane M. Krout of Maryland, Mary L. Rasmussen of Seminole, FL and Kris Morison of St. Petersburg, FL as well as nieces and nephews to deeply grieve his passing. He also leaves behind his many friends and colleagues who have been deeply touched by his life. GOD BLESS.